## **EXHIBIT E**

1	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
3	RICHMOND DIVISION
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6	ePLUS, INC., : Civil Action No.
7	: 3:09CV620 vs.
8	LAWSON SOFTWARE, INC. : April 29, 2010
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12	COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF THE CONFERENCE CALL
13	BEFORE THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. PAYNE
14	UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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- 1 would ask is if there's a witness who was not going to be
- 2 addressing one of the seven or eight prior art references that
- 3 you restricted Lawson to addressing in their contentions, that
- 4 that witness be excluded. For example, Lawson is now raising
- 5 the fact they want to have a witness testify about their
- 6 alleged prior art system, a version 6.0, their own system.
- 7 It's not in the court-ordered invalidity contentions, and we
- 8 just think this is an argument to do an end-around of the
- 9 Court's order.
- 10 It's not proper for them to, on the one hand, not
- 11 give us contentions about it and the other hand say they're
- 12 going to call a witness to address it. I don't know if that's
- 13 going to be Mr. Lawson, if it's going to be another witness,
- 14 but if it's not in what was required by the Court's order, then
- 15 we think this is just a kind of patent lawyer's argument to get
- 16 around an article three judge's ruling, and it's not
- 17 appropriate.
- 18 So other than -- anybody identified on April 9th that
- is included in their April 9th disclosures as ordered by the
- 20 Court, I'll go depose and we'll move forward on this case. I
- 21 would ask the Court's indulgence because I might need to name a
- 22 rebuttal witness or two, and I could probably do that by close
- 23 of business tomorrow, but I might need to do it by Monday
- 24 morning, because, you know, I did not anticipate having to take
- 25 depositions in, you know, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Montana and

- 1 So it's actually just the opposite of that, but it
- 2 is, obviously, a little unique when it's Lawson's own system
- 3 here compared to some of this third-party prior art, so it is
- 4 relevant to give the scope and contents of the prior art, but
- 5 also, you know, there's a bit of a dilemma here because a lot
- of these features we don't think infringe.
- 7 They don't infringe in our current product, they
- 8 don't infringe in the old product either. They are just
- 9 different, but we should be able to at least explain to the
- 10 jury, look, whether you think this feature satisfies this
- 11 element or not doesn't really matter because Lawson has been
- doing that since the 1980s, and we want to be able to have the
- right to say that, at least to give the jury that context, and
- 14 we made that clear.
- 15 Maybe they think it's a good point, so they decided
- 16 they wanted to try to withdraw that deposition notice from over
- 17 three weeks ago, but the issue here isn't prejudice or delay or
- 18 anything else. It's that they don't want us to put in some
- 19 good testimony.
- 20 THE COURT: The issue is whether you told them that
- 21 you weren't going to put it in.
- MR. McDONALD: We never said that. We made it very
- 23 clear, it's background, it's prior art. It's also relevant to
- 24 willful or intent-based issues. It's relevant to the existence
- 25 of non-infringing alternative technologies, because certainly a

- 1 MR. McDONALD: We would be bringing it to Virginia.
- THE COURT: Well, I'm not sure he's going to be
- 3 allowed to testify, but I'll have to abide the event and let
- 4 you all brief that later. You can depose him, Mr. Robertson.
- 5 If you need some extra time because of all these late
- 6 witnesses, you are certainly -- I'll extend the time for you.
- 7 MR. ROBERTSON: I understand, Your Honor. I
- 8 appreciate that. Obviously we think that, you know, Mr. Lawson
- 9 should have sprung to their mind immediately, and, you know,
- 10 but, again, I think they're trying to backdoor this Lawson 6.0
- 11 version.
- 12 THE COURT: The Lawson 6.0 version is not in as prior
- art unless it was listed among the prior art that was filed on
- 14 April 9th. Was it or wasn't it?
- 15 MR. ROBERTSON: No, it wasn't, Your Honor.
- 16 THE COURT: Well, that's that simple.
- 17 MR. McDONALD: We dispute that, Your Honor. The
- document will speak for itself. I understand you can't decide
- 19 that now when we're both saying opposite things.
- 20 THE COURT: I have to see more about it, but I can
- 21 tell you one thing. If it's not in that answer, that
- 22 disclosure, it's not coming in. I'll leave it for another day,
- 23 a motion in limine to be dealt with or a motion later in
- 24 connection with summary judgment or whatever I have to do to
- 25 consider what it is the facts may be on that particular

- 1 question, but the bottom line is if he wasn't told -- if he
- 2 wasn't -- if that system wasn't disclosed, there's going to be
- 3 no discussion about it. All right -- as prior art. All right,
- 4 what else? Anything else?
- 5 Basically then we've resolved the disputes; is that
- 6 right? You're going to go take the depositions. Do you want
- 7 some more time, Mr. Robertson?
- MR. ROBERTSON: Yes, Your Honor. In fact, what I'd
- 9 like, with the Court's indulgence, is I need to caucus with
- 10 some of my colleagues. There may be two or three rebuttal
- 11 witnesses to the witnesses that Your Honor has permitted the
- depositions to go forward that may need to be called, because
- 13 they dispute what some of these individuals will be
- 14 representing about some of the prior art in the systems that
- 15 are involved.
- 16 THE COURT: Okay.
- 17 MR. ROBERTSON: Obviously if I had the opportunity to
- 18 take the depositions earlier, I might have uncovered additional
- 19 witnesses, but I'll have to see what comes out in the
- 20 depositions as I move forward, Your Honor, and I'll bring that
- 21 to the Court's attention at the earliest opportunity.
- 22 So I guess that's where we find ourselves. We've got
- 23 to wrap up. I do need a little bit more time, Your Honor, in
- order to get this done, and my expert report on validity is due
- June 3rd, and apparently I'll be taking depositions through